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Appl No.: 10/802,021 Group Art Unit: 3644
Filed: March 16, 2004 Examiner: Timothy D. Collins
For: METHOD, APPARATUS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT FOR SAFE
EXIT MANEUVER FROM DIMENSIONALLY EXTENDED ROTATING SPACE
VEHICLE

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 28, 2005, in which the Examiner has required restriction between Group I, namely Claims 1 – 8, Group II, namely Claims 9 – 16, and Group III, namely Claims 17 – 24; an election of species between Species 1, as seen in Claims 3, 11 and 19 and Species 2, as seen in Claims 4, 12, and 20; and an election of Sub-Species between Sub-Species A, as seen in Claims 6, 14, and 22, Sub-Species B, as seen in Claims 7, 15 and 23 and Sub-Species C, as seen in Claims 8, 16 and 24.

Applicant hereby elects without traverse to prosecute the claims of Group II (Claims 9 - 16) and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims. Applicant further elects Species 1 for Claim 11 and elects Sub-Species A for Claim 14 and expressly reserves the right to file divisional applications or take such other appropriate measures deemed necessary to protect the inventions in the remaining claims.

Should the Examiner have further questions or comments with respect to examination of this case, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner telephone the undersigned so that further examination of this application can be expedited.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those, which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper.

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However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 CFR § 1.136(a), and any fee required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) is hereby authorized to be charged to Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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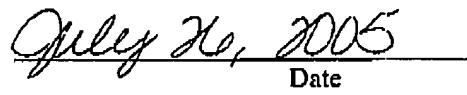
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